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News worth sharing.

Military has a lot to lose, study says

New figures show Canadian Forces are getting fatter, being less physically active and becoming heavier drinkers **Survey found almost half were overweight, and nearly one-quarter were obese**

Canadian Forces personnel are getting fatter, more sedentary in their work, less physically active and becoming heavier drinkers, according to a new military study.

The Health and Lifestyle Information Survey polled about 3,700 full-time Forces members for the 2008-09 period and found there was a three per cent increase in the number of obese people since the last survey in 2004, even with a renewed push on fitness promotion.

The figures come years after the military redoubled efforts to improve the physical fitness of its members.

Gen. Rick Hillier, former chief of the defence staff, launched a fitness and healthy eating campaign in December 2005.

Still, in 2007 more than 1,000 military members flunked the first national physical fitness test. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Oscars: Who's in, who's out

The 83rd annual Academy Awards will take place Feb. 27 at the Kodak Theatre in Los Angeles. The British monarchy saga The King's Speech reigns with 12 nominations, including acting honours for Colin Firth, Helena Bonham Carter and Geoffrey Rush, positioning itself to challenge The Social Network for best picture. Story, page 12.

▶ Actress Mo'Nique and The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences president Tom Sherak announce the best picture nominations for the 83rd Annual Academy Awards yesterday in Beverly Hills, Calif.

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Politics

Stelmach to hang up his hat

Alberta's embattled premier won't seek re-election {page 5}

Crouching dad, amazing kids

Paul Sullivan pretends to be a tiger mom, for five minutes
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City, developers set for showdown?

- Developers say current limits won't meet future housing demand
- OMB hearings begin Feb. 22

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Mayor Jim Watson won't cave to developers just to head off a showdown at the Ontario Municipal Board over the city's urban boundary.

"I've talked to a lot of members of council and I feel confident that we're going to defend the city's position," he said. "We'll defend it vigorously at the OMB."

Council voted in 2009 to limit development outside the Greenbelt to 230 hectares — a reduction from an earlier staff recommendation of 851 hectares. Council wanted to minimize urban sprawl and encourage intensification of city neighbourhoods. Area developers have appealed to the OMB to overturn the decision and allow more development.

The city's planning committee received a report yesterday from city solicitor Rick O'Connor, which outlined testimony supporting the developers' appeal and recommended no changes to the city's plan. The report estimates the five weeks of hearings could cost the city as much as $300,000 in outside legal costs and $100,000 for expert testimony.

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▶ Mayor Jim Watson: "This is an important issue for us. It determines at the end of the day who's going to make the decisions with respect to growth and urban planning, and I believe it should be the elected officials."

Local groups win funding

Two local causes have won grants from the Aviva Community Fund, which asks Canadians to propose community projects and vote on which get funding.

The Capital City Condors, an ice hockey team for youth with intellectual or physical disabilities, will get money to pay for registration fees, ice time and new uniforms. The Crystal Bay Centre for Special Education will get funding to help build an accessible playground. STEVE COLLINS

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▶ The Capital City Condors

1M The amount that will be distributed among 2010 Aviva Community Fund winners across the country.

News in brief

Patient info compromised

COMPUTER THEFT. The Bruyère Family Medicine Centre is warning patients to check their credit ratings after the theft of two computers containing patient information. The computers were stolen in October and likely contained password-protected patient names, dates of birth, addresses, health card and telephone numbers, which could be used for identity theft. METRO

Green bin boost

SCHOOL. The city has sent letters to local school boards in an effort to boost participation in its Green Bins at Schools program. About 40 schools have already joined the program, getting green bins from the city and filling them up with organic waste from the school to make compost. METRO

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▶ Amika Mobile founder and CEO Suhayya Abu-Hakima will be in Toronto tomorrow to be invested into the Order of Ontario for her work as a volunteer and role model for young female professionals in Canada.

Technology CEO recognized for helping women

CEO of Kanata-based tech company appointed to the Order of Ontario ◐ 'I share it with my kids, my husband'

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As one of Canada's few female CEOs, Suhayya Abu-Hakima said she is used to sticking out like a sore thumb.

"There's still a bit of a challenge in accepting female technology CEOs," said the Amika Mobile founder and CEO.

Still, perseverance and courage is what helped her break through the "brick ceiling" to get to where she is today.

Since founding her second company in 2007, Abu-Hakima and her staff of 12 employees provide clients with emergency notification technology for universities, hospitals, and airports using WiFi networks.

She believes it was her work in not only creating over 150 jobs, but in volunteering for the Ontario Centres of Excellence and National Centres of Excellence that led to her Order of Ontario nomination.

"The recognition is how much work I do to try to get young people, especially young women, interested in science and technology," she said.

"It's absolutely wonderful to be named amongst a small group of people who've worked hard for this province, and for the country."

REAL ESTATE

Condos tilting the market

Ottawa's real-estate market is tilting quickly toward condominiums thanks to demographics, says a broker just named Keller Williams International's global top seller in 2010.

"Seventy per cent of our workers in Ottawa are in government jobs. In the next year or so a lot of them will be eligible to retire," said Marnie Bennett, owner broker of Bennett Real Estate Professionals.

Bennett, who took the top spot after her team made 600 home sales in 2010, said condominiums now account for roughly 20 per cent of Ottawa's real estate market.

Ten years ago condos would have been less than five per cent.

Two large demographics, baby boomers and Generation Y have contributed to the shift, she said.

Offering enhanced services such as advice to those two groups on wealth management and using real estate as an investment helped propel her team to top spot, Bennett said.

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▶ Marnie Bennett

REMEMBRANCE DAY CRIME

Veterans flood court for trial

A trial started yesterday for a man accused of desecrating the cenotaph in Woodstock, Ont., in the early hours of Remembrance Day 2009.

Christopher Saggau, 32, is accused of spray-painting the cenotaph with swastikas and hate symbols.

Many veterans from Woodstock's Royal Canadian Legion are attending the court proceedings.

Saggau also faces charges of uttering threats, defamatory libel, misuse of a computer service and at least 25 counts of mischief to various properties throughout Woodstock from February to November 2009. Saggau has pleaded not guilty to 27 charges.

His lawyer, Jeanine LeRoy, argues a search warrant was not justified.

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Premier bows out of Alberta race

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▶ Alberta Premier Ed Stelmach leaves the province's legislature yesterday.

◗ Stelmach warns politics turning negative ◗ Wildrose foe befuddled

Alberta Premier Ed Stelmach has decided that 25 years in public office is enough and he doesn't want to face an election based on personality rather than politics.

His announcement yesterday that he will step down before the next provincial vote came with some strong words for a surging rival set to square off with his Progressive Conservatives.

"I say to you this as directly as I can — there is a profound danger that the next election campaign will focus on personality and U.S.-style, negative-attack politics that (would be) directed at me personally," Stelmach said. "The danger is that it could allow for an extreme-right party to disguise itself as a moderate party by focusing on personality — on me. This type of U.S., wedge-style politics is coming into Canada and it comes at our peril."

Stelmach has been under increasing pressure as the Wildrose Alliance, led by Danielle Smith, has surged in public opinion polls. Wildrose Alliance leader Danielle Smith said she was befuddled by Stelmach's prediction. "I'm not sure exactly what he's referring to," she said.

"As a party, we have stayed completely focused on the issues."
DANIELLE SMITH, WILDROSE

"(Albertans) don't want to see a province that's going to get pulled into the politics of personal destruction. That's what we've seen on the PC side."

The premier said he was approaching his cabinet ministers asking them to commit to five more years in public life when he realized he didn't want to do that himself. "I have determined that after 25 years of public service, I am not prepared to serve another full term as premier," Stelmach said at Alberta's legislature.

He said he will officially submit his resignation to the party at a later date. That will trigger a race for his successor. Stelmach became premier in December 2006 when Ralph Klein stepped down.

NDP Leader Brian Mason suggested Stelmach was caught between different ideologies. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Politician, dog-walker and farmer

A sketch of Ed Stelmach reveals more than politics in his life:

Born: May 11, 1951, in Lamont, Alta., the youngest of five kids.

Family: Wife Marie and four grown children.

Hobbies: Walking his dogs, golf, socializing.

Before politics: Left university after death of his brother. Took over family farm. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Province mum on merger job losses

$18B The realty corporation is the first agency to get the axe as the Liberals try to trim their $18.7-billion deficit amid a looming fall election.

There will "absolutely" be savings for taxpayers as the Ontario government merges two Crown corporations responsible for real estate and infrastructure, Premier Dalton McGuinty said yesterday.

However, neither McGuinty nor senior cabinet ministers would say how many people will lose their jobs or how much the government will have to dole out in severance to fold the Ontario Realty Corp. into Infrastructure Ontario. "There are always upfront costs, but over the long term you end up saving money," McGuinty said after a Peterborough Chamber of Commerce speech.

Finance Minister Dwight Duncan promised Monday there would be more announcements to come as he works to eliminate about five per cent of the 259 provincial agencies.

Legislation will be introduced to merge the ORC, which manages the province's extensive real estate holdings, and Infrastructure Ontario, which oversees the renewal of the province's hospitals, courthouses, water systems, roads, bridges and other public assets. The ORC employs about 350 people while Infrastructure Ontario has about 200 workers, but Duncan remained tightlipped on how many jobs will be lost in the shuffle.

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Obama reaches out to opponents

- President makes direct appeal for bipartisan lawmaking in his State of the Union address
- Speech highlighted civility, debt reduction, economy

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▶ Barack Obama

U.S. President Barack Obama called for unity with newly empowered Republicans in a State of the Union policy speech that laid the foundation for the second half of his presidential term and next year's fight for re-election.

Obama staked out territory in America's political centre. He defended programs dear to his Democratic base, including the federal Social Security pension program and his health care overhaul.

But he also backed some top priorities of Republicans, who took control of the House of Representatives this month. He called for cutting the corporate tax rate, freezing some federal spending, shaking up the federal bureaucracy and eliminating lawmakers' pet projects. For the first time in his two-year presidency, Obama was appearing before a divided Congress. After November elections that Obama has described as a "shellacking," Republicans narrowed the Democratic advantage in the Senate as well as taking control of the House of Representatives.

Obama, who has rebounded in opinion polls in recent weeks, was looking to position himself above politics, even as both parties manoeuvre for advantage ahead of the 2012 presidential vote.

The speech comes weeks after Democratic Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords was seriously wounded in a shooting rampage in Arizona, that killed six people. In an attempt at unity, many Democratic and Republican lawmakers decided to break with tradition and sit together. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Egypt. Tens of thousands mobilize online

▶ Police face demonstrators in Cairo, yesterday, during a Tunisia-inspired demonstration to demand the end of President Hosni Mubarak's nearly 30 years in power. The clashes left at least three dead.

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Tunisia's uprising fuels Cairo protest

Yesterday's demonstration, the largest Egypt has seen for years, began peacefully, with police showing unusual restraint in what appeared to be a calculated strategy by the government to avoid further sullying the image of a security apparatus widely seen as little more than corrupt thugs in uniforms. Protesters cried out for President Hosni Mubarak to step down and for a solution to Egypt's poverty.

Facebook pushes its currency

Facebook says it will begin requiring all games on its website to accept payments through its own currency system, Facebook Credits. Developers will be able to use other currency systems but they must accept Credits. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Arnold speaks in Calgary

Former California governor Arnold Schwarzenegger gave what amounted to a motivational speech to more than 2,000 people in Calgary. He told the crowd that "if you are afraid to fail you are a girly man."

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Probe into organ sales urged

European lawmakers pressed yesterday for investigations to follow up on a report that said civilians in Albania were killed so their organs could be sold on the black market after the end of war in Kosovo.

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Harper probes maternal aid corruption

Audit reveals $34 million in Global Fund losses in some African nations ◐ UN aims to track $40 billion

Evidence of corruption in a billion-dollar aid program linked to a new maternal and child health initiative illustrates the need for clear accountability rules, the Canadian government said on the eve of a summit in Geneva.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper arrived in Switzerland late yesterday in advance of a one-day meeting to "kickstart" a United Nations commission that will set the template for tracking $40 billion in maternal health spending.

Harper was named co-chair of the committee, along with the president of Tanzania, last month.

Their work, which is to culminate in May with an accountability framework, has been cast into sharp relief by internal investigations of another public-private, UN-linked program, the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

A special audit unit studied only a handful of grants under the 10-year-old program and turned up $34 million in losses in some African nations.

The revelations prompted Sweden to freeze its contributions to the Geneva-based Global Fund, and the fund itself is withholding more than $22 million in grants to Mali — one of Canada's preferred aid recipients.

Forty-five per cent of each country's contribution to the Global Fund is counted as spending toward the new maternal health initiative, so the two programs are intertwined.

The $40 billion was committed to maternal and child health through the Canadian-led G8 Muskoka initiative of last summer and the UN's millennium development goal summit of September.

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Canadian wallet

Prime Minister Stephen Harper is on the front lines to look into the aid, much of which comes from Canada.

- **Canadians contributed** $540 million to the Global Fund last year — lifting Canada's total support to $1.5 billion since the fund was created in 2001.
- **Canadian taxpayers** pledged $1.1 billion in new funds to the maternal health initiative last June at the G8 summit.
- **The prime minister's** officials say $270 million has already been committed to such projects as distribution of vitamin and mineral supplements and vaccines.

Oldest Canadian helped all

Elizabeth Buhler lived to see three centuries.

She endured crushing poverty in the former Russian empire, struggled through the Great Depression and experienced the heartbreak of losing one of her seven children at birth.

Through it all, Canada's oldest person kept a positive attitude based on her religious faith and a deep desire to help those around her. Her daughter says she maintained that attitude until she died Sunday in a nursing home in Winkler, Man. Buhler was born Feb. 8, 1899, in a region of Russia that is now part of Ukraine.

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▶ Elizabeth Buhler

Invest. Military

▶ Peter MacKay announces $80 million in contracts.

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Propelling forward

National Defence Minister Peter MacKay announced Air Force investments at 17 Wing in Winnipeg yesterday. Projects include modernized radar systems, and new aircraft cargo loaders.

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Putin vows revenge on Moscow terrorists

Finger pointed at lax airport security Detached head of alleged suicide bomber to undergo DNA testing to confirm identity of man in his 30s

Prime Minister Vladimir Putin vowed revenge yesterday for the suicide bombing that killed 35 people at a Moscow airport — a familiar tough-on-terrorism stance that has underpinned his power but also led to a rising number of deadly attacks in Russia.

Lax security also was blamed for Monday's explosion in the international arrivals area of Domodedovo Airport that also injured 180 people, with President Dmitry Medvedev criticizing police and managers at the airport, the largest of three that serve the capital.

NTV television showed a photograph of what it said was the detached head of the suspected bomber. Investigators have said DNA testing will be necessary before the man, who appears to be in his 30s, can be identified.

A two-second video of the blast itself, broadcast on state television and said to be from a closed-circuit TV camera, showed a burst of flames and passengers falling and fleeing as smoke filled the hall.

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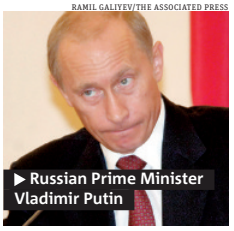

▶ Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin

No one has claimed responsibility for the attack, but suspicion has fallen on Islamist separatists from Chechnya or elsewhere in the restive Caucasus region.

Putin was stern in Cabinet, vowing that "this crime will be solved and revenge is inevitable."

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Profit. Crop circle

▶ Nearby villagers profit from the hoopla over a crop circle in Indonesia.

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Don't ask for money back

Enterprising vendors yesterday sell a picture of the 70-metre-wide crop circle that appeared over the weekend in a nearby rice field in Sleman, Indonesia. Thousands of curious onlookers are flocking to central Indonesia to look at the facture, which looks like an intricately designed flower, following rumours it was formed by a UFO. Some villagers are charging admission for a closer look.

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News website bets readers will pay

A new website called Ongo wants to charge people $7 per month to look at news that is for the most part free elsewhere. Yet the people behind it — former eBay Inc. executives — believe there's a large audience of heavy news consumers who will pay for a site that pulls together quality stories in one place and lays them out in a clean, ad-free format.

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Corporate tax cut payoff takes time: Report

Report cites studies that show corporate taxes are most damaging to economy ◗ Consumption taxes least damaging

Corporate tax cuts will pay off in higher investment and more jobs for Canada, but it will take the better part of a decade for all the benefits to kick in, says a report by a leading tax expert.

The paper, from economist Jack Mintz, commends Ottawa for sticking to its guns in bringing down the corporate tax rate from 16.5 to 15 per cent next year.

Mintz and co-author Dunajie Chen, both of the School of Public Policy at the University of Calgary, said that taking the corporate rate to 15 per cent will result in a $30.6-billion addition to the country's capital stock and generate 100,000 jobs.

However, they conceded it will take at least seven years for the full benefits to kick in.

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Reform

Tax expert Jack Mintz recommended that governments move to the next phase of tax reform by eliminating preferential treatment of some sectors, particularly manufacturing and forestry.

Google. Talk

▶ Google chairman and CEO Eric Schmidt delivers the keynote speech at the Digital Life Design (DLD) conference yesterday in Munich. The conference brings together creators from the digital world.

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Google gets bigger

Google plans to hire more than 6,200 workers this year in the biggest expansion yet by the Internet's most profitable company. Google's work force grew by 23 per cent last year and some investors may be leery of expansion plans that could crimp earnings.

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BUTTING HEADS OVER CHILD REARING

Just sayin'

PAUL SULLIVAN

If you're a parent, you probably know about Battle Hymn Of The Tiger Mother, the book by Yale Prof. Amy Chua that cheerfully condemns North American parenting practices as soft.

And just as cheerfully, she celebrates the "Chinese" style piano-math drill torture of her own children as a successful program for overcoming adversity. That's if adversity can be characterized as placing second in a math competition.

The whole thing is gloriously controversial. On the one hand, you have armchair sociologists who nod sagely and point to Chua's parental rigour as proof the 21st century will belong to China. If it doesn't already.

On the other, you have my own kids, who snort and roll their eyes and say "as if" a lot.

Chua once threatened to torch her daughter's stuffed animals unless she learned to play a piece without flaws. Daughter played so diligently she ended up playing Carnegie Hall when she was just 14.

Chua was merciless. She made the kid sit on the bench for hours and play through dinner, even denying her water.

We had a piano at our place, too. Our kids sat on the bench for minutes, then took a dive, feigning epilepsy. After a couple of those sessions, the only person who spent any time around the piano was Douglas the cleaning person, who was not happy about the dust.

Once, one of Chua's daughters placed second in a math quiz. She made the poor kid do 2,000 math problems a night until she regained the lead.

My own kids have never done 2,000 math problems in their lives, combined, unless the math problem involves extracting $20 bills from the Bank of Dad and successfully not giving back any change.

By all accounts, Lulu and Sophia Chua-Rubenfeld are beautiful, well-adjusted young women who can leap tall buildings in a single bound while playing Flight Of The Bumblebee.

Dare I say it, but John David Sullivan and Ann Katherine Sullivan are, um, differently prodigious.

Chef Iron John can whip up the world's best Fisherman's Stew while excelling at four increasingly difficult levels of Guitar Hero, while Annie is a modern-day Merlin, capable of plundering the secrets of the Tarot while adjusting your chakras for optimal energy.

They didn't exactly raise themselves, but they were full participants.

They're not concert masters, nuclear physicists or radiologists, but they're pretty amazing, and all we had to do was give up after five minutes of pretending to be Amy Chua.

So stay tuned for my upcoming parenting bestseller: Crouching Father, Belligerent Children. And relax.

Read more of Paul Sullivan's columns at metronews.ca/justsaying

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Musing about concerts

Letters & Tweets

We asked: What was the best concert you saw in 2010?

@flygurl27: Iron Maiden at Bluesfest.
@emmagodmere: There were so many good ones! Dan Mangan at Bluesfest, the Rural Alberta Advantage at Ritual in December.
@TheHolyThief: Trans Siberian Orchestra! Orchestral strings, guitar and drums. Crazy lighting and pyrotechnics. What more could you ask for?
@FearOfTheDork: The best Toronto concert I saw was Slayer/Megadeth with Testament at the MolAmph. Those 3 together it was a music dork's dream.
@danbacchus: No doubt, Gorillaz at the ACC. Crazy production and presence. Amazing!
@glorified_gvb: Soundgarden. Vic Theatre, Chicago.
@caitlinxx: Green Day at the Molson Amphitheatre.
@jessicaology: Muse at ACC was the best concert I saw in 2010. Matt Bellamy is so talented!
@rossanamenezes: PAUL McCARTNEY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
@AllAgesShow: the best concert of 2010 was definitely Broken Social Scene. That show was indescribably awesome.
@sweetsolmom: Silversun Pickups. (opened for Muse, who were awesome as well).
@permission2fail: Arcade Fire.
@treymills99: Definitely Makeshift Innocence.

Picking favourite shows

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Which film should win the Oscar for best picture? Why?

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Metro Minute at CLS snow festival

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Diehard outdoor enthusiasts can stick around for overnight winter camping on the lawn with the guidance of an outdoor specialist.

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Incendies

Quebec director Denis Villeneuve has received an Oscar nomination for his searing family drama "Incendies." The movie - which follows twins as they travel to the Middle East to uncover their mother's horrific war-ravaged past - will compete for best foreign-language film.

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For more coverage of the Academy Award nominations, scan this code or visit metronews.ca/scene

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▶ The King's Speech has received 12 Academy Awards nominations.

The nominees are...

◐ The King's Speech up for 12 Academy Awards ◐ True Grit gets 10 nods ◐ Winter's Bone shocks field by landing in four high-profile categories

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The King's Speech led this year's Academy Award nominations with 12, including Best Picture as well as Best Director for Tom Hooper, Best Actor for Colin Firth, Best Supporting Actor for Geoffrey Rush and Best Supporting Actress for Helena Bonham Carter. The Coen Brothers' update of True Grit received 10 nominations, including Best Picture and Best Actor for Jeff Bridges, who beat Firth in that category last year.

The other nominees for Best Picture are Black Swan, The Fighter, Inception, The Kids Are All Right, 127 Hours, The Social Network, Toy Story 3 and Winter's Bone. As expected, Golden Globe-winning actresses Natalie Portman and Annette Bening scored nominations for Best Actress and are considered the front-runners, ahead of Nicole Kidman (Rabbit Hole), Jennifer Lawrence (Winter's Bone) and Michelle Williams (Blue Valentine). Competing against Firth and Bridges for Best Actor are Javier Bardem (Biutiful), Jesse Eisenberg (The Social Network) and James Franco (127 Hours).

▶ Natalie Portman has been nominated for Best Actress for her role in Black Swan.

The real surprise this year came with the quiet independent film Winter's Bone, which landed nominations in four high-profile categories: Best Picture, Best Actress (Lawrence), Best Supporting Actor (John Hawkes) and Best Adapted Screenplay. The film about a stark life of poverty in the Ozarks, was a favorite at last year's Sundance Film Festival. David Fincher's The Social Network, which has won an impressive number of critics' association awards and the Golden Globe for Best Picture — Drama, received eight nominations, including nods for Fincher, lead actor Eisenberg, screenwriter Aaron Sorkin and composers Trent Reznor and Atticus Ross.

With 10 films up for Best Picture a second year in a row, some experts look to the Best Director nominees to determine which five are the real front-runners for the top prize. This year, those five are Darren Aronofsky for Black Swan, David O. Russell for The Fighter, Tom Hooper for The King's Speech, David Fincher for The Social Network and Joel and Ethan Coen for True Grit. While Christopher Nolan's inventive Inception racked up eight nominations, including Best Picture and Best Original Screenplay, Nolan was shut out of the directing category.

The Academy Awards will be awarded in Hollywood on Feb. 27.

Nominees

The Academy Award nominations

BEST DIRECTOR
Darren Aronofsky, Black Swan
David O. Russell, The Fighter
Tom Hooper, The King's Speech
David Fincher, The Social Network
Joel and Ethan Coen, True Grit

BEST ACTOR
Javier Bardem, Biutiful
Jeff Bridges, True Grit
Jesse Eisenberg, The Social Network
Colin Firth, The King's Speech
James Franco, 127 Hours

BEST ACTRESS
Annette Bening, The Kids Are All Right
Nicole Kidman, Rabbit Hole
Jennifer Lawrence, Winter's Bone
Natalie Portman, Black Swan
Michelle Williams, Blue Valentine

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR
Christian Bale, The Fighter
John Hawkes, Winter's Bone
Jeremy Renner, The Town
Mark Ruffalo, The Kids Are All Right
Geoffrey Rush, The King's Speech

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS
Amy Adams, The Fighter
Helena Bonham Carter, The King's Speech
Melissa Leo, The Fighter
Hailee Steinfeld, True Grit
Jackie Weaver, Animal Kingdom

BEST ORIGINAL SCREENPLAY
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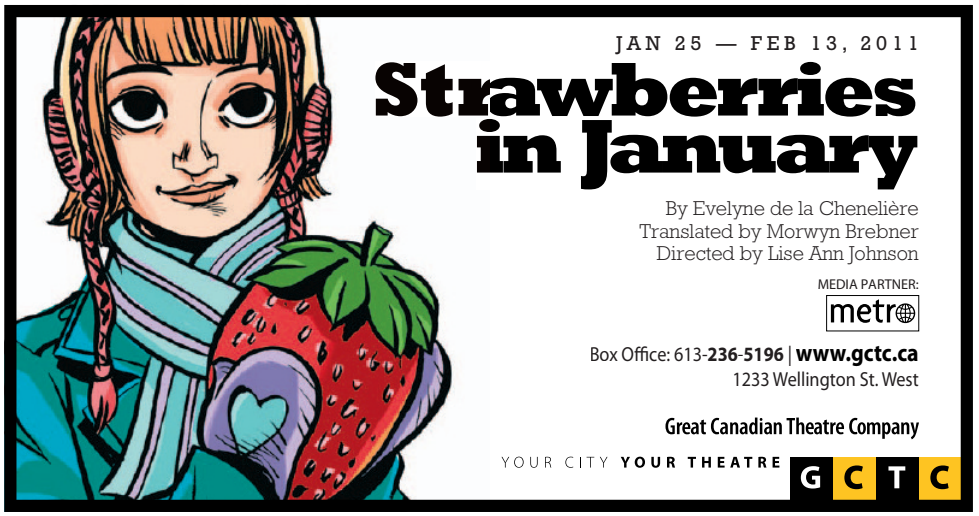
Lisa Cholodenko & Stuart Blumberg, The Kids Are All Right
David Seidler, The King's Speech



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RED
Genre: Drama
Director: Robert Schwentke
Stars: Helen Mirren, John Malkovich and Brian Cox

RED, which refers to a supposed CIA acronym meaning "retired and extremely dangerous," has few pretensions beyond showcasing some skilled mature actors at their deadpan best. It's likely to appeal more to fans of Morgan Freeman's The Bucket List than to partisans of Bruce Willis' Die Hard series. But with Helen Mirren, John Malkovich and Brian Cox joining them in the impressive cast, just watching this gang is reason enough. PETER HOWELL

Nowhere Boy
Genre: Drama
Director: Sam Taylor-Wood
Stars: Aaron Johnson, Kristin Scott Thomas

Anyone with even a cursory interest in the Beatles probably already knows the basics of Nowhere Boy: how John Lennon (Aaron Johnson) came from a broken home of early sadness and later tragedy. The film's main drama is not the approach of rock 'n' roll destiny. Rather, it's the tug of war between the officious Mimi and the headstrong Julia. But it amounts to nothing more than another stroll down the Beatles' memory lane. PETER HOWELL

Enter the Void
Genre: Drama
Director: Gaspar Noé
Stars: Nathaniel Brown

Enter the Void might more accurately be deemed only partial provocation, since it's actually the most audience-friendly of Noé's three features — the caveat being that the audience must be a mature one, not like the sexually stifled ninnies of America's MPAA film censor board.

Few recent films can match the visual intoxication of what Noé and cinematographer Benoit Debie have concocted here. PETER HOWELL

Four no more

Fifty years after cosmic rays transformed him into a man ablaze, Marvel Entertainment has extinguished the Human Torch's flame and his life, too, as the pop culture purveyor of super heroes and villains embarks on an ambitious story line that ends the Fantastic Four.

In the newest issue of one of the company's longest-running comic books, Johnny Storm's life is taken amid a massive battle. While Marvel has made no secret that a member of the quartet would die, exactly who among the group would fall has been a closely held secret.

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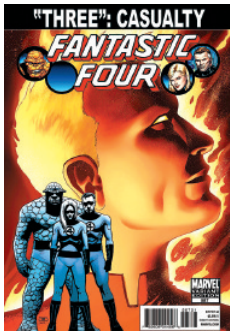

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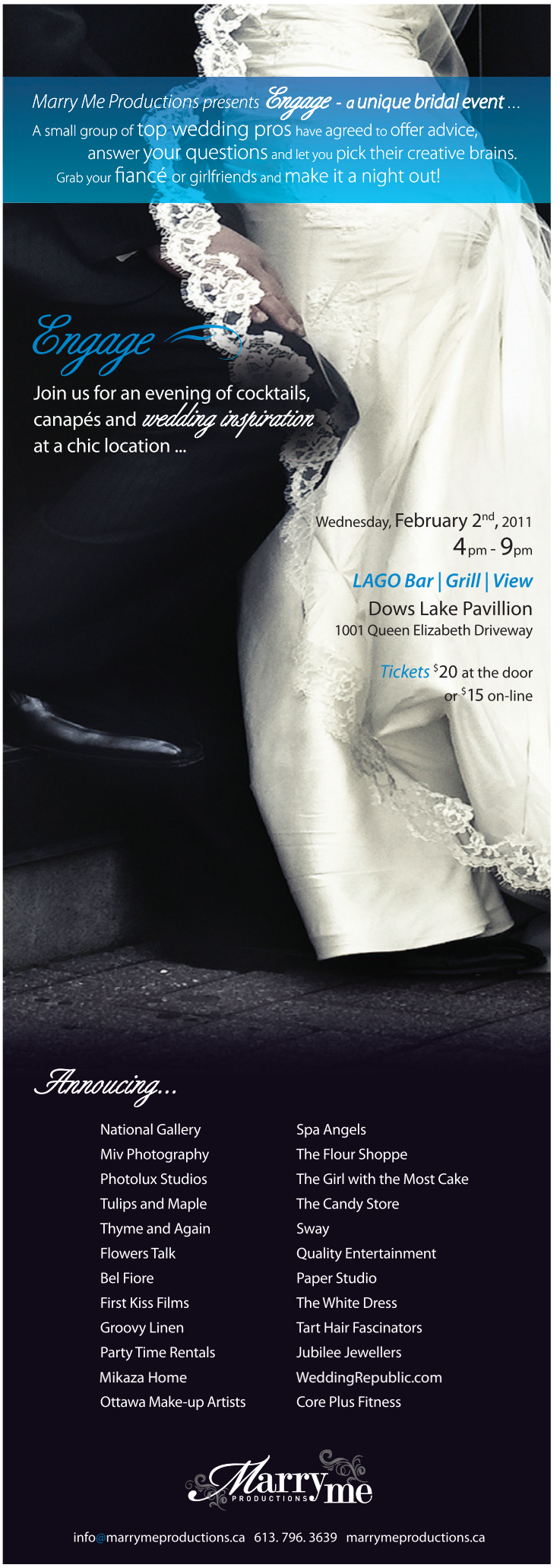

In Focus

RICHARD CROUSE

OBSESSED COPS: WE LOVE 'EM

Everyone loves new and original characters in movies.

One of the great pleasures of last year was watching Natalie Portman transform a stock ballerina character into something we've never seen before. Beautiful.

But where would the movies be without straight-ahead stock characters like the arrogant pilot or the rebellious teen? This week The Factory, starring John Cusack, revisits one of the most frequently exploited big screen stereotypes: the obsessed cop.

The cop-on-a-mission character is nothing new. Film Noir is jam packed with police with something to prove.

Check out The Big Combo, a little seen but worthwhile movie from 1955, which sees Cornel Wilde as a cop so fanatical about arresting a crime boss he funds the investigation out of his own pocket. Good gritty stuff.

More recently, Matt Dillon was the best thing in Takers as a detective who relentlessly tracked an elite band of bank robbers.

He's played cops before — a racist one in Crash for instance — and been in trouble with real policemen — he was busted doing almost twice the speed limit in 2008 — but this is the first time he's played one straight out of Central Casting.

Russell Crowe, however, has taken on the stock character more than once.

Most famously, he played Richie Roberts, based on the real life detective who doggedly tracked one of the biggest heroin kingpins of the 1970s, Frank Lucas, played by Denzel Washington.

In a strange twist to the story the real Richie Roberts later became a lawyer and served as Frank Lucas's defense attorney, and, to add and even more bizarre twist, became godfather to Lucas's son.

In Tenderness, Crowe plays Lt. Cristofuoro, a Buffalo detective who takes a "special interest" — read: "becomes obsessed with" — Eric Komenko, a teen who murdered his parents.

Cristofuoro was the cop who originally arrested Eric and is convinced he'll kill again.

Crowe was originally meant to be a supporting player, but was convinced to sign on when his part was expanded and he was given the voice-over narration.

The cop-on-a-mission character is nothing new ... Perhaps the greatest obsessed cop in the movies is Gene Hackman as 'Popeye' Doyle in The French Connection.

Perhaps the greatest obsessed cop in the movies is Gene Hackman as "Popeye" Doyle in The French Connection. Not only does this movie have one of the all time great chase scenes, but Hackman, who won a Best Actor Oscar for the part, has great hard-boiled lines like, "What is this, a [blankety-blank] hospital here?" when he's confiscating drugs off a guy in a bar.

Brother worries: Madonna likes younger men

Says two 20-something boyfriends in a row 'could start to look creepy' But doesn't really expect change

Madonna's brother, Christopher Ciccone, is worried about the singer's choices in younger boyfriends.

"I guess if she continues to date all these much younger guys, it could start to look creepy," he tells Radar Online.

"She certainly isn't following societal values, but then again my sister never has and probably never will either."

Madonna is reportedly dating 24-year-old Brahim Zaibat, whom she began seeing after splitting with 24-year-old model Jesus Luz. METRO

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Madonna is 52.

Breakup hard on Worthington

Avatar star Sam Worthington has reportedly split from his longtime girlfriend, makeup artist Natalie Mark, according to the Herald Sun.

And he doesn't seem to be taking the split well. At a recent event in Los Angeles, he reportedly slammed his fist into a photo wall and screamed obscenities when asked to wait before walking the red carpet, according to Popeater. METRO

Tila: No more Tequila for me

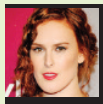
Tila Tequila insists she's sober and has turned over a new leaf, thanks to her doctors and therapists. "Last year, I was going through a really tough time," she tells Radar Online.

"I needed help. I was in denial." The reality star claims she woke up one day last year with bloody cuts on her arm caused by an alter-ego named Jane. "That's when I realized, OK, I have a problem," she says. METRO

Celebrity tweets

Katy Perry [@katyperry] Dear will.I.am I can NEVER nail that first "dirty bit" timing. Please help. Kthnxbye.

Russell Crowe [@russellcrowe] I know I'm a bit behind on this, but just saw Shutter Island,Leonardo's best work to date



Rumer Willis [@TheRue] Umm two words...laser tag

Sarah Silverman [@SarahKSilverman] Let's bring back calling people a boob

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Sandra Bullock

Bullock prepares to step back from step-mom role

While Sandra Bullock has grown incredibly close to ex-husband Jesse James' daughter, Sunny, she's getting ready for James' new fiancée, Kat Von D, to enter the picture, according to Popeater.

"Sandra loves Sunny with all her heart and will always be in her life," a source says. "However, she also knows that [Sunny] will have a new mommy soon and will do whatever she needs to do to make sure Jesse's new wife and Sunny have a great relationship even if that means taking a step away." METRO

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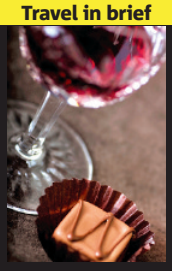

Red wine and chocolate — it could be a double dose of decadence. Or maybe double the migraine afterwards. Wineries in the Niagara region in Ontario are inviting visitors to try wine-and-chocolate pairings next month. They include "classic" combos like late harvest Vidal with white chocolate cranberry (offered at Lailey Vineyard).
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British designer Vivienne Westwood offers unique tour of London in Fashion TV doc

- The city's famous Chinatown has been around for more than 100 years
- The upcoming Chinese New Year makes it the perfect time to visit

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▶ A view of Grant Street in Chinatown in San Francisco. Although many of the original inhabitants have moved out to other areas of the city as well as suburbs, this is still a starting point for many new immigrants from Asia.

Experience China in San Francisco

Smack in the middle of San Francisco's Chinatown, Portsmouth Square is a kaleidoscope of sounds, smells and colours.

The cadence of Chinese dialects fills the air and splashes of red and gold glow from shop windows to banners strung across the narrow streets.

The rich smell of roast duck curls out of hole-in-the-wall eating places, blending with the faint smell of incense burning on modest shrines.

Hard to believe that only a few blocks away lie the designer boutiques and gourmet coffee shops of a cosmopolitan western city.

But that's what it means to visit San Francisco's Chinatown, a magic carpet of a destination that can take you from West to East in zero to 60 steps.

"What's really significant about San Francisco's Chinatown is that it has survived for over 100 years. Despite the hardships early on, the community is still here," says Sue Lee, executive director of the San Francisco-based Chinese Historical Society of America.

And not just survived but thrived, she adds. Although many of the original inhabitants have moved out to other areas of the city as well as suburbs, this is still a starting point for many new immigrants from Asia. "It's a shopping district; it's a residential neighbourhood and it's a tourist destination. And that's not by accident."

With the Year of the Rabbit beginning Thursday, Feb. 3, a visit to San Francisco's Chinatown is a great way to experience Chinese-American culture.

And the best way to experience Chinatown is by foot, so it's no surprise there are a number of walking tours available.

At the Chinese Culture Center, tours begin with a look at art exhibits at the centre, which blend contemporary and traditional works.

Then it's a short stroll to Portsmouth Square, where you will find dozens of residents playing mah jongg and other games or just sitting and talking.

San Francisco's Chinatown is the district that almost wasn't. After the 1906 earthquake, city leaders pressed for relocating the Chinese to the city outskirts. But Chinatown businessmen came up with a plan to rebuild the area and make it a tourist attraction that would bring more money to the city. At the Great China Herb Company, herbalists carefully weigh out intriguing-looking bundles of this and that aimed at restoring vitality, restoring digestion and generally curing what ails you.

East, West, past, future — all here. "What's so fascinating about Chinatown," says Lee, "is it's so multifaceted."
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Winter fishing in B.C.

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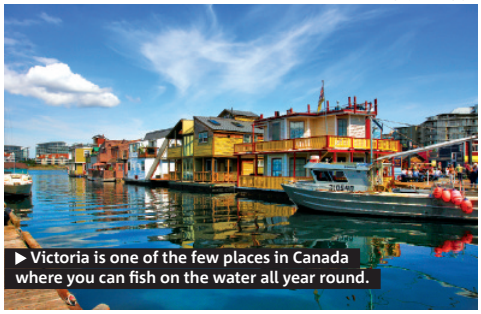

▶ Victoria is one of the few places in Canada where you can fish on the water all year round.

Most passionate Canadian anglers have to use an ice drill during these cold months. Sports fishing enthusiasts in Victoria, however, have it a lot easier.

Instead of huddling over a hole in a fishing shack, they get to catch salmon in the dead of winter in the form of the oddly named winter springs.

Winter springs are young chinook salmon. They stay close to Victoria during the winter months to feed on schools of herring, before heading out to sea where they become prized 25-kilogram-plus trophy salmon known as Tyee, King, or just chinook.

The herring hang out in the ocean close to Victoria during the winter before their run up the Gorge Waterway, which slices through the city, before they spawn in early spring.

A common sight in Victoria in late February and early March are Gorge bridges packed with anglers trying to hook migrating herring, which are used for chinook bait later in the summer.

But by attracting the young chinook, the herring also create a unique sport fishing opportunity at a traditionally slow time of the year for tourism.

"I always pump the winter fishery all summer long because it's such a strong, consistent fishery," said fishing guide Darren Beasley. "You're pretty much guaranteed your fish. I think I did 20 trips last February and I think I limited out on every trip."

Anglers are allowed to keep two chinook each. Winter springs usually weigh between three and five kilograms each.

"It's right through from December to early spring where we have a really strong winter chinook fishery," said Beasley, 37. He describes himself as a third generation Vancouver Island fishing enthusiast, who has been in the sport fishing business for 17 years.

Many Victoria salmon fishing charters operate out of the city's downtown Inner Harbour. The boats are moored steps from the B.C. legislature and the salmon are only minutes away.

"Six miles off Victoria in the Strait of Juan de Fuca, 15 minutes from Victoria harbour, and you're pounding salmon," Beasley said.

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Preparation:

1 To make the meatballs, combine ground beef, breadcrumbs, barbecue sauce, egg, garlic, basil and 2 tbsp of parmesan cheese. Form into 1-inch meatballs (you should have enough to make 24 meatballs). Lightly coat a large, nonstick skillet with cooking spray and set over medium heat. Cook meatballs for about 5 minutes, turning occasionally or until browned on all sides. Set aside.

2 To make the soup, lightly coat a large nonstick pot with cooking spray, add oil and set over medium heat. Add onion and garlic and sauté for 5 minutes. Stir in green pepper and carrots and cook for 3 minutes. Stir in stock, tomato sauce, tomato paste, chili powder and browned meatballs. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat to low and simmer, covered, for 15 minutes.

3 Stir in egg noodles and simmer for 5 minutes or until the noodles are tender. Serve the soup in bowls, and garnish with remaining 4 cup Parmesan cheese.

BOTH PHOTOS: ROSE REISMAN

▶ Meatball and egg noodle soup.

Ingredients:

Meatballs
- 6 oz lean ground beef
- 3 tbsp dry seasoned breadcrumbs
- 2 tbsp barbecue sauce
- 1 egg
- 1 tsp finely chopped garlic
- 1/2 tsp dried basil
- 2 tbsp parmesan cheese

Soup
- 2 tsp vegetable oil
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 1/2 tsp chopped garlic
- 1/2 cup chopped green bell pepper
- 1/2 cup chopped carrots
- 3 1/2 cups beef (or chicken) stock
- 2 cups tomato sauce (or store-bought spaghetti sauce)
- 2 tbsp tomato paste
- 1 tsp chili powder
- 1 cup dried egg noodles
- 1/4 cup grated parmesan cheese

Red & Yellow Bell Pepper Soup

Ingredients:
- 2 tsp vegetable oil
- 2 tsp minced fresh garlic
- 1 ½ cups chopped onion
- 1 ¼ cups chopped carrot
- ½ cup chopped celery
- 4 cups chicken stock
- 1 ½ cups potato
- Ground black pepper
- 2 red bell peppers, 2 yellow bell peppers, roasted
- ¼ cup chopped cilantro, dill or basil

Preparation:

1 Spray a saucepan with cooking oil, add vegetable oil. Place over medium heat. Add garlic, onion, carrot, celery. Cook 8 minutes, stir occasionally.

2 Add chicken stock, and peeled and diced potato. Bring to a boil then reduce heat to low. Cover and simmer until carrots and potatoes are tender.

3 Purée red peppers in a food processor until smooth. Add half the soup mix and process until smooth. Season with black pepper and pour into a serving bowl. Rinse food processor. Repeat steps with yellow peppers and remaining soup. Pour into another serving bowl.

4 Ladle some red pepper soup into one side of individual serving bowl. At the same time, ladle some yellow pepper soup into the other side of the bowl. Garnish with cilantro. ROSE REISMAN

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BE CAREFUL WITH MAKING COMPLAINTS

Employees love to complain about their jobs. They often perceive mistreatment at work as an invitation to a lawsuit or a human rights complaint.

However, one Ontario employee learned that not every grievance of unfairness at work leads to a successful human rights complaint.

Donna Race was one of the few females employed at an Oshawa auto assembly line. In 2006, she complained that her co-workers played the radio too loud and that the excessive noise affected her hearing. In response, she received threats from her co-workers and one of them called her a "bitch."

Unsatisfied with the way her employer handled the situation, Race complained to the Ontario Human Rights Tribunal, arguing she had been harassed because of her gender.

However, before presenting its case, Race's employer contested the Tribunal's jurisdiction to entertain the complaint, arguing it was not related to Race's gender and that her hearing loss was only temporary. Instead, it argued that Race's complaint was about the volume of a radio, something that a human rights tribunal has no authority to decide.

Recently, the Tribunal agreed. Race failed to show that she was treated differently at work because of her gender or a disability. Although the comment her co-worker made was offside, it did not amount to discrimination.

The decision reiterates an important lesson for employees:

Do not bring a human rights complaint where there is only a marginal connection to discrimination. As a unionized employee, it should have been open to Race to file a grievance with her union.

An apology may be sufficient to vitiate misconduct. Here, the employee that called Race a "bitch" recognized the comment was inappropriate and apologized. In the Tribunal's view, this supported the dismissal of the complaint.

Human rights tribunals are not catchalls for general claims of unfairness or mistreatment at work. Seek specialized advice before taking legal action.

Being a great boss starts with listening

- You've finally landed the role of leader at your office
- How will you wrangle respect from your new crew?

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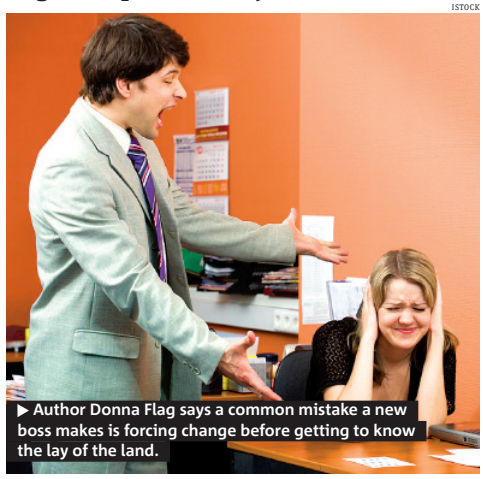


▶ Author Donna Flag says a common mistake a new boss makes is forcing change before getting to know the lay of the land.

The move from a lowly cubicle to a boss's desk is a humble victory stroll for most. However, it can also be an all expenses paid power trip for that rare and loathsome brute that mutates into a monster just as quickly as the title changes.

Every career leap comes with a risk, and if you've been elevated to a higher office, career counsellors note you're likely sandwiched between executives demanding insta-results — More sales! Faster turnaround! Prettier PowerPoints! — and overworked underlings full of apprehension.

The secret to rendering that transition as miserable as possible for every unfortunate involved is to let the stress bring forth your inner Bonaparte.

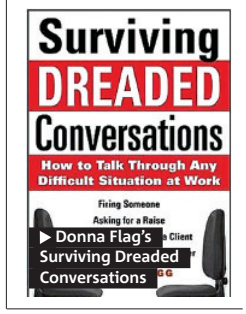
"People come in there with this façade that you're running things now, but you're not automatically going to have respect," warns Donna Flagg, author of Surviving Dreaded Conversations. "You have to earn it by the virtue of your behaviour and by how you treat people."

She says the surest way to garner the esteem and cooperation of your workforce is "to be really open."

"In the first 90 days, what you really want to do is listen," career counselor Barbara Frankel concurs. "You need to set a climate where every idea is valued and important, even if it isn't acted upon."

But if every time you fish the office pool for fresh ideas you reel in empty hooks, "put a little structure behind it," Flagg recommends.

"Schedule on-boarding meetings where you give a half hour to every person and get a sense from them about what's going on," she suggests. "You have to say, 'I want your honest opinion,' and then you have to behave in a way that doesn't punish them for giving it to you."



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- University can be a very structured experience, but a fun elective can add pizzazz to any drab schedule
- Metro did a cross-Canada search for six of the most unique elective courses our country has to offer

1

Bottoms up!
Sociable! Alcohol has long played a role in students' lives and the Social History of Alcohol at Carleton University looks at the role alcohol has played in western society from ancient times to the present. Temperance movements – social movements pushing for reduced alcohol consumption – are also examined.

2

Hey Jude, am I in the right class?
For Beatle lovers (and not of the Volkswagen variety), the University of Calgary offers The Beatles, a 10-week multimedia interactive continuing education course that examines the music and lyrics of The Fab Four, with a focus on the height of Beatlemania during the 1960s.

3

If I don't ace this course I'll die!
More than one of life's certainties, Death is a religious studies course offered at Saint Mary's University. Some of the topics examined include how death is perceived across different religions, what happens after one dies and how death has become taboo in today's society.

4

It cuts like a knife
For the history buff interested in the effect violence has had on various societies, Capilano University in Vancouver offers a history course called Murder and Mayhem: Selected Topics. The course looks at "how violence has shaped various societies' political, social, economic, religious and intellectual goals and beliefs," says its academic calendar description.

AU student Karmen in Grande Prairie, AB

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My appetite has changed	☐	☐
I am experiencing feelings of guilt	☐	☐
I have lost interest in work and pleasurable activities	☐	☐
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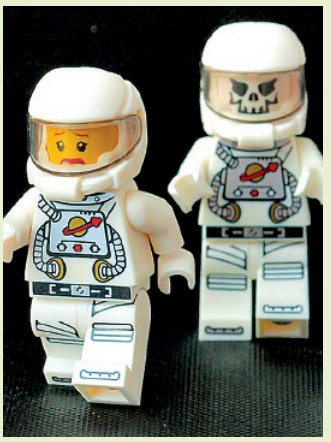
Frankly, I'm puzzled
While puzzles might be thought of as a form of entertainment, their meaning might actually be much deeper. The University of Toronto offers Puzzles, Discovery and the Human Imagination, a course that looks "at what puzzles tell us about the human mind and human culture," says its academic calendar description.



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I'm over the moon for this school!
Beam me up, Scotty. Grant MacEwan University in Edmonton offers Science Fiction in Prose and Film, a course which teaches skills in "critical writing, reading, viewing and thinking," according to its academic calendar. Students read fictional works and also watch classic films from the science fiction genre.
RICHARD WOODBURY

South of the border

Some of the zaniest classes our friends in the U.S. can sign up for:

- **Bloodstain Pattern Analysis** Hilbert College (Hamburg, N.Y.)
  This forensic science looks at the angle, colour and pattern of a bloodstain, one of the most important aspects of the crime-scene puzzle. Students get experience at a mock scene and study some very detailed police reports.
- **History of Beer, Coffee, Water and Breast milk** Drake University (Des Moines, Iowa)
  This course investigates the history of these liquids from a legal perspective and promises to explore the ramifications of what we drink from cradle to grave.
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Gretzky at 50 still looms over NHL

THE CANADIAN PRESS

▶ Wayne Gretzky warms up before a game against the Toronto Maple Leafs in Toronto in 1984.

Only one of his 61 records has been broken in the decade since he retired

No one hits a milestone quite like Wayne Gretzky.

Whether it was scoring five times in one evening to reach 50 goals in 39 games or breaking the NHL's all-time points record during a trip back to Edmonton with the Los Angeles Kings, Gretzky always seemed to find a way to make his entries in the record book unique.

Incredibly, as The Great One passes one of life's significant signposts and turns 50 today, his milestones remain virtually untouched.

There have been more than 13,000 NHL games played since Gretzky retired in 1999 and he's only surrendered one of his 61 records — Nicklas Lidstrom and a handful of others now have more career assists in overtime during the regular season, no doubt aided by the change to 4-on-4 for the tiebreaker and the fact a point is now awarded to the losing team.

"If you're going to be passed, you might as well be passed by a guy that's a great player and a Hall of Famer," Gretzky, gracious as ever, said of Lidstrom.

In reality, he's been passed by no one.

"I don't mean to sound aloof about it, but it's another day and it's another birthday. I'm fortunate that my family's healthy and I'm physically healthy. I feel good."
WAYNE GRETZKY

"One of them had to fall," said NHL commissioner Gary Bettman. "The fact that he has 60 records, I don't think any player in any sport has ever or can ever dominate in that way. He was a consummate superstar ambassador for the game, on and off the ice. I don't think there's anyone comparable, because he's always represented this game with elegance and class.

"I believe that he's in a class by himself."

Gretzky has been without an official tie to the NHL since stepping down as coach of the Phoenix Coyotes in September 2009 — part of the fallout from the franchise's messy bankruptcy proceedings.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quoted

"I'm still at the top of my game, but for me I feel it's an important time to build on my future. I want to be as successful off the slopes as I have been on the slopes, and I feel that time is now."

MOGULS SKIER JENNIFER HEIL, WHO ANNOUNCED HER IMPENDING RETIREMENT YESTERDAY. THE 27-YEAR-OLD WILL COMPETE AT CANADA OLYMPIC PARK IN CALGARY THIS WEEKEND, FOLLOWED BY THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS FEB. 2-5 IN DEER VALLEY, UTAH, AND IN FIVE MORE WORLD CUPS IN EUROPE BEFORE SHE CAPS HER CAREER.

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Opinion

KEN CAMPBELL
THE HOCKEY NEWS

NOTHING GAINED BY PANICKING

Billionaire NHL owners usually aren't renowned for their patience, particularly when facing the prospect of missing the playoffs and those lucrative post-season gates.

So kudos to Ottawa Senators owner Eugene Melnyk for displaying some of it at a very crucial time for his organization. Had he listened to many of the fans, he might have been tempted to blow the Senators up, starting from the top. He may very well still do that, and probably will, but now is not the time to take that kind of action.

Melnyk could have ordered GM Bryan Murray to make a flurry of moves — claiming goaltender Evgeni Nabokov off waivers would have been one — to take one last, desperate gasp at taking a run for the playoffs. But now it's clear the Senators will remain status quo for the rest of the season and will be sellers, not buyers, leading up to the Feb. 28 trade deadline.

Perhaps Murray can peddle off the likes of Jarkko Ruutu and Chris Phillips for draft picks and/or prospects, which will trim payroll and perhaps make a modest contribution to the future of the franchise.

But by making it clear this team will basically finish the season as it's currently constructed, Melnyk is making a much more important statement. The Senators will take a draft pick that projects to be in the top five and will then go about building their organization, likely with a new coach and GM. To have Murray do anything more than tinker with the roster at this point would be counterproductive, since there's a good chance he will not be the one ultimately making the crucial decisions that dictate the long-term course of the franchise.

Whether it's still Murray or Pierre McGuire or an up-and-coming executive such as current assistant GMs Brent Flahr (Minnesota), Jason Botterill (Pittsburgh) or Julien BriseBois (Tampa Bay), that person must be the one who makes the ultimate decisions about who will coach this team going forward and what changes will need to be made to the roster.

Firing coach Cory Clouston now, or making any sort of monumental change, would not get the Senators into the playoffs, and it might very well handcuff the new GM, who will be handcuffed enough already with challenging long-term deals to the likes of Jason Spezza, Mike Fisher and Sergei Gonchar.

Melnyk realizes that, to be sure. That's why he made it clear the Senators' season of discontent isn't about to get much better.

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Atlanta	51	23	19	3	6	151	166	55	11-9-1-4	12-10-2-2	3-4-1-2	L3
Carolina	49	24	19	2	4	149	153	54	13-8-1-1	11-11-1-3	6-4-0-0	W1
Buffalo	49	23	21	5	0	137	144	51	11-12-1-0	12-9-4-0	7-3-0-0	W2
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NY Islanders	48	15	26	3	4	117	158	37	8-11-1-3	7-15-2-1	3-6-0-1	L2
New Jersey	48	16	29	2	1	100	143	35	9-13-1-1	7-16-0-1	6-3-1-0	W4

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Vancouver	49	30	10	4	5	163	120	69	16-3-1-4	14-7-3-1	4-2-1-3	W1
d-Detroit	48	29	13	4	2	163	142	64	14-6-3-1	15-7-1-1	5-4-0-1	L1
d-Dallas	49	29	15	1	4	144	136	63	15-6-1-3	14-9-0-1	7-2-0-1	L2
Nashville	49	27	16	4	2	133	117	60	11-4-3-2	16-12-1-0	7-3-0-0	L1
Anaheim	52	28	20	2	2	140	146	60	17-7-0-1	11-13-2-1	7-3-0-0	W2
Phoenix	49	24	16	6	3	141	139	57	10-8-3-2	14-8-3-1	6-3-0-1	L1
Chicago	49	26	19	2	2	155	135	56	16-12-0-0	10-7-2-2	6-3-0-1	L1
Colorado	49	25	18	6	0	159	160	56	14-10-3-0	11-8-3-0	5-4-1-0	W1
San Jose	49	25	19	4	1	137	135	55	12-10-2-1	13-9-2-0	4-6-0-0	W4
Minnesota	48	24	19	1	4	126	132	53	11-11-0-2	13-8-1-2	6-4-0-0	L1
Los Angeles	49	26	22	1	0	140	122	53	16-9-1-0	10-13-0-0	4-6-0-0	W2
Calgary	50	23	21	2	4	140	151	52	13-9-0-1	10-12-2-2	5-2-1-2	W3
St. Louis	48	22	19	3	4	129	142	51	15-8-1-2	7-11-2-2	2-6-1-1	L3
Columbus	49	23	21	3	2	130	152	51	12-11-0-1	11-10-3-1	3-5-1-1	L1
Edmonton	47	14	25	1	7	117	162	36	7-13-1-3	7-12-1-3	2-7-0-1	L5

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results
Buffalo 3 Ottawa 2 (OT)
Anaheim 3 Columbus 2
Florida 4 N.Y. Rangers 3
Pittsburgh 1 N.Y. Islanders 0
Montreal at Philadelphia
Toronto at Tampa Bay
Minnesota at Chicago
Edmonton at Phoenix
Monday's results
Calgary 3 Nashville 1
Vancouver 7 Dallas 1
Carolina 6 Toronto 4
Colorado 4 St. Louis 3
Los Angeles 2 Boston 0
N.Y. Rangers 2 Washington 1 (SO)
Tonight's games
All Times Eastern
Florida at Boston, 7 p.m.
Carolina at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Washington at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Edmonton at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Colorado, 9 p.m.
St. Louis at Calgary, 10 p.m.
Nashville at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
San Jose at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

SABRES 3, SENATORS 2 (OT)

1. Ottawa, Kelly 11 (Foligno) 4:28
2. Buffalo, Byron 1 (Ennis, Stafford) 10:05
3. Buffalo, Hecht 8 (Myers, Vanek) 15:49

Penalties — Karlsson Ott (tripping) 5:02, Gerbe Buf (roughing) 6:57.
Second Period
No Scoring.
Penalty — Stafford Buf (hooking) 14:52.
Third Period
4. Ottawa, Gonchar 6 (Karlsson, Fisher) 13:56 (pp)

Penalties — Myers Buf (cross-checking) 1:22, Miller Buf (tripping; served by Ennis) 12:35.
Overtime
5. Buffalo, Morrisonn 1 (Vanek) 1:59

Penalties — None.
Shots on goal by

Buffalo	15	6	2	2—25
Ottawa	12	11	6	0—29

Goal — Buffalo: Miller (W,21-14-4); Ottawa: Elliott (L,12-17-7). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Buffalo: 0-1; Ottawa: 1-4.
Referees — Eric Furlatt, Marc Joannette.
Linesmen — Steve Barton, David Brisebois.
Attendance — 18,990 (19,153) at Ottawa.

LATE MONDAY

HURRICANES 6, MAPLE LEAFS 4

First Period
1. Carolina, Corvo 7 (Pitkanen, Ruutu) 12:16 (pp)
2. Toronto, Kaberle 2 (Kessel, Crabb) 19:51

Penalties — Kaberle Tor (tripping) 5:39, Gunnarsson Tor (high-sticking) 11:21, MacArthur Tor, LaRose Car (fighting) 12:19, Gleason Car (roughing) 16:51, Grabovski Tor, Kulemin Tor (roughing), Pitkanen Car (holding), Gleason Car (fighting, game misconduct) 20:00.
Second Period
3. Carolina, McBain 3 (Jokinen) 11:16

Penalties — Kaberle Tor (hooking) 2:58, White Car (hooking) 5:22, Skinner Car (holding) 15:25, Cole Car (interference) 16:00, Armstrong Tor (hooking) 19:16.
Third Period
4. Carolina, Bra.Sutter 9 (White, Boychuk) 1:49
5. Toronto, Brent 5 (Schenn, Beauchemin) 3:18
6. Toronto, Brent 6 (Phaneuf, Brown) 4:29 (sh)
7. Carolina, Bra.Sutter 10 (Jokinen) 8:55
8. Carolina, Skinner 18 (Corvo, E.Staal) 11:02 (pp)
9. Toronto, Brown 2 (Brent, Gunnarsson) 14:15 (pp)
10. Carolina, Cole 13, 19:13 (en)

Penalties — Crabb Tor (hooking) 3:42, Sjostrom Tor (goaltender interference) 9:53, Harrison Car (slashing) 12:21, Sjostrom Tor (holding) 14:41, Beauchemin Tor (tripping) 16:26.
Shots

Toronto	6	14	10—30
Carolina	5	15	8—28

Goal — Toronto: Giguere (L,9-9-3); Carolina: Ward (W,21-15-5). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Toronto: 1-7; Carolina: 2-7.
Referees — Gord Dwyer, Dan O'Rourke. **Linesmen** — Bryan Pancich, Anthony Sericolo.
Att. — 16,201 (18,680) at Raleigh.

FLAMES 3, PREDATORS 1

First Period
1. Calgary, Glencross 12 (Stajan, Hagman) 10:14.

Penalties — Suter Nash (slashing) 2:33, Halischuk Nash (hooking) 7:49, Giordano Cal (hooking) 11:57, Glencross Cal (slashing) 17:44.
Second Period
2. Nashville, Legwand 7 (Wilson, Ward) 10:32
3. Calgary, Iginla 21 (Stajan, Tanguay) 13:01 (pp)

Penalties — Legwand Nash (hooking) 5:03, Sarich Cal (cross-checking) 10:50, Ward Nash (high-sticking) 12:44, Nashville bench (too many men; served by Hornqvist) 14:20, Bouwmeester Cal (hooking) 18:44.
Third Period
4. Calgary, Morrison 8 (Tanguay, Giordano) 14:08 (pp)

Penalties — Sarich Cal (tripping) 7:55, Smithson Nash (hooking) 13:31.
Shots

Nashville	6	7	11—24
Calgary	8	14	5—27

Goal — Nashville: Rinne (L,17-12-4); Calgary: Kiprusoff (W,19-18-2). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Nashville: 0-5; Calgary: 2-6.
Referees — Francis Charron, Brad Watson.
Linesmen — Mike Cvik, Don Henderson.
Att. — 19,289 (19,289) at Calgary.

CANUCKS 7, STARS 1

First Period
1. Vancouver, Burrows 10 (D.Sedin, Ballard) 1:18
2. Dallas, Richards 20 (Neal) 7:19
3. Vancouver, Kesler 27 (Edler, H.Sedin) 9:05 (pp)
4. Vancouver, Ehrhoff 8 (H.Sedin, D.Sedin) 10:26 (pp)

Penalties — Benn Dal (high-sticking) 8:17, Burish Dal, Bieksa Vcr (unsportsmanlike conduct) 9:13, Fistric Dal (tripping) 9:41, Daley Dal (hooking) 17:20.
Second Period
5. Vancouver, Samuelsson 9 (Kesler, Raymond) 3:59
6. Vancouver, H.Sedin, 11 (Volpatti, Torres) 11:28

Penalties — Tambellini Vcr (interference) 7:11, Burrows Vcr (holding stick) 13:27, Morrow Dal (charging) 14:43, Bieksa Vcr (interference) 15:27, Morrow Vcr (goaltender interference) 17:28, Hamhuis Vcr (tripping) 19:56.
Third Period
7. Vancouver, Raymond 9 (Edler, Samuelsson) 11:05
8. Vancouver, Hamhuis 4 (Tambellini, Tanev) 13:12 (pp)

Penalties — Ribiero Dal, Hamhuis Vcr (double roughing) 4:59, Burish Dal (roughing, misconduct), Barch Dal, Ballard Vcr (roughing), Burrows Vcr (misconduct) 12:16, Ott Dal (high-sticking) 19:55.
Shots

Dallas	10	7	9	—26
Vancouver	12	12	12	—36

Goal (shots-saves) — Dallas: Lehtonen (L,21-11-5) (33-27), Raycroft (13:12 third)(3-3); Vancouver: Luongo (W,22-8-7). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Dallas: 0-4; Vancouver: 3-7.
Referees — Tom Kowal, Steve Kozaru.
Linesmen — Brad Lazarowich, Thor Nelson.
Attendance — 18,860 (18,810) at Vancouver.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Stamkos, TB	38	29	67
Crosby, Pgh	32	34	66
D.Sedin, Vcr	27	36	63
H.Sedin, Vcr	11	50	61
St. Louis, TB	20	40	60
B.Richards, Dal	20	37	57
Zetterberg, Det	16	36	52
Perry, Ana	25	26	51
Ovechkin, Wash	19	32	51
E.Staal, Car	23	26	49
Eriksson, Dal	17	32	49
Kopitar, LA	16	33	49
Kesler, Vcr	27	20	47

Not including last night's games

NFL

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sunday's results
AFC — Pittsburgh 24 N.Y. Jets 19
NFC — Green Bay 21 Chicago 14

PRO BOWL

Sunday's game
At Honolulu
AFC vs. NFC, 7 p.m.

SUPER BOWL XLV

Sunday, Feb. 6
At Arlington, Texas
Pittsburgh (AFC) vs. Green Bay (NFC), 6:30 p.m.

TENNIS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN

At Melbourne, Australia
Tuesday's results
WOMEN
Singles — Quarter-finals
Caroline Wozniacki (1), Denmark, def. Francesca Schiavone (6), Italy, 3-6, 6-3, 6-3.
Li Na (9), China, def. Andrea Petkovic (30), Germany, 6-2, 6-4.
Doubles — Quarter-finals
Gisela Dulko, Argentina, and Flavia Pennetta (1), Italy, def. Natalie Grandin, South Africa, and Vladimira Uhlirova, Czech Republic, 6-0, 6-3.
Kveta Peschke, Czech Republic, and Katarina Srebotnik (2), Slovenia, def. Bethanie Mattek-Sands and Meghann Shaughnessy (9), U.S., 6-3, 6-3.
Liezel Huber, U.S., and Nadia Petrova (3), Russia, def. Cara Black, Zimbabwe, and Anastasia Rodionova (5), Australia, 6-1, 6-4.
Victoria Azarenka, Belarus, and Maria Kirilenko (12), Russia, def. Chuang Chia-jung and Hsieh Su-wei, Taiwan, 5-7, 6-3, 6-2.
MEN
Singles — Quarter-finals
Roger Federer (2), Switzerland, def. Stanislas Wawrinka (19), Switzerland, 6-1, 6-3, 6-3.
Novak Djokovic (3), Serbia, def. Tomas Berdych (6), Czech Republic, 6-1, 7-6 (5), 6-1.
Doubles – Quarter-finals
Bob and Mike Bryan (1), U.S., def. Jurgen Melzer, Austria, and Philipp Petzschner (6), Germany, 6-3, 7-6 (7).
Eric Butorac, U.S., and Jean-Julien Rojer, Netherlands Antilles, def. Lukasz Kubot, Poland, and Oliver Marach (4), Austria, 6-3, 6-4.
MIXED DOUBLES
Second Round
Katarina Srebotnik, Slovenia, and **Daniel Nestor (2), Toronto**, def. Olga Govortsova, Belarus, and Marcin Matkowski, Poland, 4-6, 6-4, 10-4 tiebreak.
JUNIOR GIRLS
Singles – Second Round
Eugenie Bouchard (14), Montreal, def. Tian Ran, China, 6-1, 6-2.
Nastja Kolar (16), Slovenia, def. Jang Su Jeong, South Korea, 6-2, 2-6, 9-7.
Doubles – Second Round
Denisa Allertova and Klara Fabikova, Czech Republic, def. **Eugenie Bouchard, Montreal,** and Monica Puig (2), Puerto Rico, 6-0, 6-3.

SOCCER

WOMEN'S FOUR NATIONS

Yesterday's results
At Beijing
Canada 1 Sweden 0
At Chongqing, China
U.S. 2 China 0

ASIAN CUP

SEMIFINALS

At Doha Qatar
Australia 6 Uzbekistan 0
Japan 2 South Korea 2
(Japan advances 3-0 on penalty kicks)

ENGLAND

CARLING CUP

SECOND LEG
Arsenal 3 Ipswich 0
(Arsenal advances on 3-1 aggregate)

PREMIER LEAGUE

Blackpool 2 Manchester United 3
Wigan 1 Aston Villa 2

GERMANY

GERMAN CUP

QUARTER-FINALS
Schalke 3 Nuremberg 2 (OT)

ITALY

ITALIAN CUP

QUARTER-FINALS
Palermo 0 Parma 0
(Palermo wins 5-4 on penalty kicks)

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

MINNESOTA TWINS—Agreed to terms with RHP Kevin Slowey on a one-year contract.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Agreed to terms with LHP Craig Breslow on a one-year contract.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Acquired RHP Frank Francisco and cash considerations from Texas for C Mike Napoli.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

CHICAGO CUBS—Agreed to terms with RHP Todd Wellemeyer on a minor league contract.
HOUSTON ASTROS—Agreed to terms with LHP Wandy Rodriguez on a three-year contract.
NEW YORK METS—Announced OF Jason Pridie and RHP Tobi Stoner cleared waivers and were sent outright to Buffalo (IL).

BASKETBALL

NBA

MILWAUKEE BUCKS—Signed G Garrett Temple to a 10-day contract.

FOOTBALL

CFL

HAMILTON TIGER-CATS—Re-signed LB Markeith Knowlton to a three-year contract.
WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS—Signed K Justin Palardy and OL Chris Greaves to contract extensions.

NFL

ATLANTA FALCONS—Agreed to terms with LB Robert James on two-year contract.
CAROLINA PANTHERS—Named Ray Brown assistant offensive line coach.
CLEVELAND BROWNS—Named Chris Tabor special teams coordinator.
DENVER BRONCOS—Named Ron Milus secondary coach and Richard Smith linebackers coach.
OAKLAND RAIDERS—Named Al Saunders offensive coordinator.
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Named Brad Seely assistant head coach/special teams coordinator and Kevin Tolbert assistant strength and conditioning coach.

HOCKEY

NHL

N.Y. ISLANDERS—Suspended G Evgeni Nabokov for not reporting to the team after being claimed off waivers from the Detroit.
OTTAWA SENATORS—Recalled G Mike Brodeur from Binghamton (AHL).
SAN JOSE SHARKS—Recalled G Alex Stalock from Worcester (AHL).

AHL

LEAGUE OFFICE—Suspended Portland D Tim Conboy two games as a result of his actions in a Jan. 21 game at Worcester.
CHICAGO WOLVES—Signed F Tim Miller.

SOCCER

MLS

PHILADELPHIA UNION—Waived G Brad Knighton.
NEW YORK RED BULL—Signed MF Matt Kassel.

LACROSSE

NLL

WEEK FOUR
Friday's games
Philadelphia at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Calgary at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
Saturday's games
Buffalo at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Boston at Rochester, 7:35 p.m.
Washington at Minnesota, 8:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
d-Boston	34	10	.773	—
d-Miami	31	13	.705	3
d-Chicago	31	14	.689	3½
Atlanta	29	16	.644	5½
Orlando	29	16	.644	5½
New York	23	21	.523	11
Philadelphia	19	25	.432	15
Charlotte	17	25	.405	16
Indiana	16	25	.390	16½
Milwaukee	16	26	.381	17
Detroit	17	28	.378	17½
Washington	13	31	.295	21
New Jersey	13	32	.289	21½
Toronto	13	32	.289	21½
Cleveland	8	37	.178	26½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
d-San Antonio	38	7	.844	—
d-L.A. Lakers	32	13	.711	6
New Orleans	30	16	.652	8½
Dallas	28	15	.651	9
d-Oklahoma City	28	16	.636	9½
Utah	27	17	.614	10½
Denver	26	18	.591	11½
Portland	25	21	.543	13½
Memphis	22	23	.489	16
Phoenix	20	23	.465	17
Houston	21	25	.457	17½
Golden State	19	25	.432	18½
L.A. Clippers	17	26	.395	20
Sacramento	10	32	.238	26½
Minnesota	10	34	.227	27½

d — division leaders ranked in top four positions per conference regardless of winning percentage.
Last night's results
Boston 112 Cleveland 95
Denver 120 Washington 109
L.A. Clippers at Dallas
Charlotte at Sacramento
Utah at L.A. Lakers
Monday's results
Memphis 100 Toronto 98
Chicago 92 Milwaukee 83
Detroit 103 Orlando 96
Houston 129 Minnesota 125
New Jersey 103 Cleveland 101
New Orleans 91 Oklahoma City 89
New York 115 Washington 106
Philadelphia 105 Phoenix 95
Sacramento 96 Portland 81
San Antonio 113 Golden State 102
Tonight's games
All Times Eastern
Orlando at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Memphis at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Denver at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
San Antonio at Utah, 9:30 p.m.
New Orleans at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

SKIING

MEN'S WORLD CUP SLALOM

At Schladming, Austria
Yesterday's results
(run times in parentheses)
1. Jean-Baptiste Grange, France, one minute 46.54 seconds (54.62-51.92); 2. Andre Myhrer, Sweden, 1:46.58 (53.77-52.81); 3. Mattias Hargin, Sweden, 1:47.14 (54.22-52.92); 4. Manfred Moelgg, Italy, 1:47.47 (54.92-52.55); 5. Ivica Kostelic, Croatia, 1:47.54 (54.42-53.12); 6. Axel Baeck, Sweden, 1:47.69 (55.48-52.21); 7. Jens Byggmark, Sweden, 1:47.72 (56.45-51.27); 8. Cristian Deville, Italy, 1:47.83 (55.20-52.63); 9. Benjamin Raich, Austria, 1:47.84 (55.35-52.49); 10. Naoki Yuasa, Japan, 1:47.90 (56.12-51.78).
11. Felix Neureuther, Germany, 1:47.95 (55.77-52.18); 12. Manfred Pranger, Austria, 1:48.26 (55.03-53.23); 13. Nolan Kasper, U.S., 1:48.74 (57.08-51.66); **14. Michael Janyk, Whistler, B.C., 1:48.89 (56.43-52.46)**; 15. Markus Vogel, Switzerland, 1:49.07 (57.07-52.00).
Also — 23. Trevor White, Calgary, 1:50.09 (56.93-53.16); 25. Paul Stutz, Banff, Alta., 1:50.54 (57.00-53.54).
Disqualified After Second Run — Patrick Biggs, Orleans, Ont.

5 drive

Engine performance

Providing the necessary grunt to haul passengers and their personal effects is a 2.4-litre four-cylinder engine that makes 201 horsepower and 170 pound-feet of torque.

This is the same base powerplant that's used in the TSX sedan and performs with quiet efficiency at the lower end of the rev range.

However, when pushed hard, the 2.4 becomes a bit raucous, although not in any seriously upsetting way.

Fully-equipped

Buyers will definitely be able to speed through the option list.

As with all Acuras, the TSX arrives with all the right up-level gear right out of the box: leather interior; power moonroof; dual-zone climate control; and a cool set of 17-inch alloy wheels.

A premium audio and navigation systems, power tailgate, 18-inch rims and an aero-style body kit are among the few extra-cost items.

Carrying capacity

It's safe to assume everybody will appreciate the TSX Sport Wagon's carrying capacity, which is more than double that of the sedan, even with the rear seat in the locked-and-upright place.

When folded flat, the load surface extends some 70 inches giving the TSX nearly the same cargo volume as Acura's entry-level RDX sport ute.

▶ Outside of North America, it's called the Honda Accord Tourer. Since the Acura TSX is Accord-based, and since Honda already has the Crosstour, it joins the Acura line as the TSX Sport Wagon.

Meet the latest member of the Acura family

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Sometimes luxury and practicality fight for the same space, but there's plenty of both to go around when it comes to the 2011 TSX Sport Wagon.

It's Acura's first shot at marketing what has in the past been the exclusive domain of its Honda parent.

Technically, the Acura Sport Wagon is a Honda since it was previously launched in Japan and other countries around the globe as the Accord Tourer.

However for North America, Honda developed the homegrown Accord Crosstour hatchback that arrived for the 2010 model year with a standard V6 engine and available all-wheel-drive.

The impending arrival of the sharp-looking TSX Sport Wagon has likely turned Honda's product planners green with envy and has them wondering if they shouldn't have lobbied harder to get a wagon of their own after all.

Internal politics aside, the new TSX hauler is a smart-looking piece of work regardless of what brand bucket it falls into.

The Sport Wagon projects a certain sophisticated appearance that displays a strong kinship with the newly updated TSX sedan.

The folks at Acura believe the wagon will appeal to young, affluent buyers, but there will likely be a knot of practical-minded empty-nesters as well as disaffected Honda Accord owners just itching for a test drive.

The Sport Wagon is expected to list for about $37,800, which is $1,600 more than the base sedan with the automatic transmission. More significantly, the price estimate is only about $1,300 more than the Honda Crosstour. That alone should encourage trade-ups to this practical-luxury model regardless of what name it goes by.

▶ With the quality level of interiors on the rise, industry wide, the line blurs between normal and luxury. Acura makes a clear separation by including leather seating surfaces as standard.

▶ This is what the Sport Wagon is all about. There's no shortage of space in this rig, whether the rear seat is up or folded flat.

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The Sport Wagon comes with a four-cylinder engine with no optional V6. Interestingly, a V6 is the standard engine in the Honda Crosstour, which is actually a little cheaper to start. An Acura spokesman said that the primary target audience for the wagon — young, urban, family types — ranked fuel economy as having greater importance than raw horsepower and thrust.

TSX Wagon

What you should know about the 2011 Acura TSX Sport Wagon:

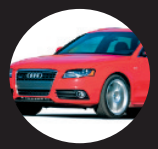
- **Type:** Four-door, front-wheel-drive, mid-size wagon.
- **Engine (hp):** 2.4-litre DOHC four-cylinder (201).
- **Transmission:** Five-speed automatic.
- **Stats:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 9.4/6.4 (est.).

By comparison

Volvo V50
Base price: $37,200
Roomy, attractive, well-priced wagon ups standard hp to 227 for 2011.

Subaru Outback Limited
Base price: $37,400
Top-level I4 model offers lots of luxury content plus standard all-wheel-drive.

Audi A4 Avant
Base price: $44,500
Stylish, functional and loaded with extras including four-wheel-drive.



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POWER DOOR LOCKS	STANDARD	NOT AVAILABLE	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL
REMOTE KEYLESS ENTRY	STANDARD	NOT AVAILABLE	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL
PASSENGER VOLUME (L)	2,690	2,574	2,605	2,665
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The 4-1-1

- **Model:** 1992 to 2007 Ford Crown Victoria.
- **Vehicle Type:** Sedan.
- **Approximate used price range:** $1,000 to $6,000.

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▶ 2003 Ford Crown Victoria

Commonly recognized for its popularity as a taxi cab or police cruiser, the Ford Crown Victoria has now bowed out of the Canadian civilian market to focus on the fleet sales largely responsible for keeping it alive in recent years.

Many companies and organizations chose the Crown Vic as their fleet model of choice thanks to its size, low maintenance requirements and cheap running costs. As a financial decision when running a fleet of vehicles, the Crown Victoria just made plain sense. It's one of the reasons why it's attractive to budget-minded families, too.

The gist? Crown Victoria is cheap, reliable, has plenty of room, a giant trunk and plenty of available features and options. Some models are even available in a six-passenger configuration thanks to a front bench seat. To some families, it's even a worthy alternative to a minivan.

All Crown Victoria models were V8-powered, rear-drive sedans with automatic transmissions. The machine's 4.6 litre heart generated between 190 and about 230 horsepower, depending on the year and model in question.

In addition to the inherent classiness of this handsome sedan, shoppers in the used market can find a Crown Victoria with air conditioning, cruise, power accessories, leather seating, a trip computer, CD-changer, a moonroof and more.

Several visual and mechanical updates were added throughout the model's life, though the underlying platform remained largely the same.

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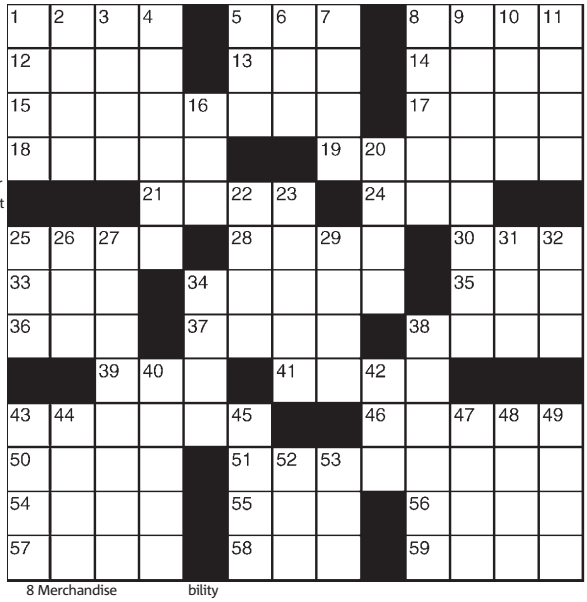

Across

1 Writer Kingsley
5 Petrol
8 Spaces
12 Swag
13 Have bills
14 Ear-related
15 One present
17 Maestro Klemperer
18 Barbershop request
19 Humble
21 Tend texts
24 Foolish one
25 Read, in a way
28 Lowers the lights
30 Definite article
33 Mr. Sajak
34 Expense record
35 A billion years
36 Illustrations
37 Addict
38 Probability
39 Inquire
41 Leeway
43 Hidden away
46 Got wind of
50 Wan
51 Lawyer
54 Rind
55 William Tell's home
56 Color quality
57 Uncomplicated
58 "See ya"
59 Picnic invaders

Down

1 "Oh, woe!"
2 Wool eater
3 Tittle
4 Spielberg or Tyler
5 Deity
6 Shock and —
7 Appear
8 Merchandise
9 Swore (to)
10 Peach stones
11 Highlander
16 Homer's neighbor
20 Brewer's oven
22 Mid-month date
23 River through Rome
25 Resort
26 Automobile
27 Ties on
29 Muralist Joan
31 Scuttle
32 Type measures
34 Member of the nobility
38 Conspiracy of silence
40 As an introvert would
42 Discoverer's call
43 Hatteras, for one
44 On the briny
45 Smear
47 In due time
48 Landlord's due
49 Turns blue?
52 Give it a go
53 Dead heat

▶ Yesterday's answer

Sudoku

5	1		8				6	9
3	6		7		9	4		
		7			1			8
4						2	7	
6			2		3			4
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8			9			5		
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2	7				8		9	1

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

4	7	3	1	9	5	8	2	6
6	5	1	2	4	8	7	9	3
2	8	9	3	7	6	4	5	1
5	3	8	7	6	1	2	4	9
7	1	2	4	3	9	5	6	8
9	6	4	8	5	2	1	3	7
1	9	7	6	2	4	3	8	5
8	2	6	5	1	3	9	7	4
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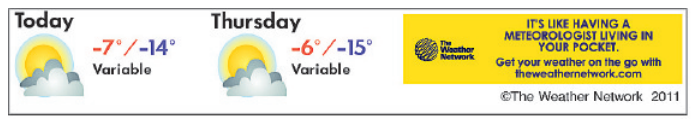

Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You will get the proverbial offer you cannot refuse, today. But your sixth sense will warn you that it's too good to be true.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 Think of what you are about to do as an investment in the future rather than as something you cannot afford. Saturn will bring you an opportunity to move up in the world, but it will cost you something, too.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Some people complain that fate is unkind, but you know that what you get out of life depends on what you put in. Saturn's retrograde move today is to be welcomed. It reminds you that the more you give the more you get.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 Use your energy wisely today. Don't waste it on trivial things. And don't listen to what other people say. Listen only to your own conscience. Everything else should be excluded.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 Take what happens today as a challenge rather than as a setback. Use it to inspire you to do more and do better. Everything in life occurs for a reason, so there is no need to feel hard done by.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 If you make a mistake of some kind today, you must admit it immediately. Don't try to pretend that it wasn't you because there are critical eyes watching your every move. It's no big deal: Say sorry and move on.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 This is one of the luckiest times of the year for you, but because planet Saturn turns retrograde today there is a danger you might take your good fortune for granted. Don't.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Don't sit back and let the changes that are now taking place just happen. You are a Scorpio, and that means you don't give in when the going gets tough. Fight back.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 The world is still an amazing and positive place, no matter what the doom mongers might say. Stop worrying about the future and create a better tomorrow for yourself — starting today.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 You get what you deserve. As Saturn begins one of its retrograde phases, it may be tempting to believe that you have gained more than you should. But, don't be so sure.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 So much is possible for you now, but you are still holding back. Why? As limitations planet Saturn turns retrograde today, the way ahead of you is clear of obstacles. Move!

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 Any bad feelings that might remain between you and someone you have to deal with on a daily basis must be cleared up once and for all. You can't go on eyeing each other with suspicion. SALLY BROMPTON

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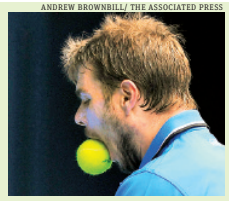

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